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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

MINUTES

Quarterly Meeting of Thursday, May 23, 2002 6:00 p.m. 374-A Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

Chairperson J. Bradford Crow noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

J. Bradford Crow, Chairperson Sandra Aronberg, M.D., Vice Chairperson Richard Alexander John Hybarger Brad Nuremberg

STAFF PRESENT:

Martha Littlefield Nyla Jefferson Ken Wales

OTHERS PRESENT:

Andrew Church, California Department of Fish and Game
Monica Guaracha, California State Department of Fish and Game
Jackie Thompson, Volunteer, California State Department of Fish and Game
Martha Moreno, Whittier Narrows Regional Park
Giancarlo Cetrulo, Los Angeles Conservation Corps.
Dan Knapp, Los Angeles Conservation Corps.
Jim Rounds, Biologist, California Halibut Hatchery
Norm Weinstock, Los Angeles Rod and Reel Foundation
Miriam Simmons, Senior Deputy, Second Supervisorial District
Gail Tierney, Senior Deputy, Fourth Supervisorial District
Louise Fiorillo, California State Department of Fish and Game
Rudy Ceballos, Volunteer, FIC
Gabriel Ceballos, Volunteer, FIC
Richard Jason, Southern Council of Conservation Clubs

MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2002

On motion of Chairperson Brad Crow, seconded by John Hybarger and unanimously carried, the minutes of January 17, 2002 were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Vice Chairperson Aronberg reviewed the Commission's most recent Summary Report of Income,

Expenditures and Fund Balance and reported a fund balance of \$121,202 as of April 30, 2002. Fines collected up to the end of April were \$1,303 plus interest of \$269 for a total of \$1,572.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The conference was held at Los Angeles County Fire Suppression Camp #2 in La Canada Flintridge. Eleven commissions were represented and the main topics discussed were the State Marine Life Protection Act and the Marine Life Management Act Fishery proposal by the California Department of Fish and Game. Chuck Raybrook, Manager for Region 6, made a presentation regarding the current status of the Department.

Brad Nuremberg reported that after the conference, county commissioners formed the Association of California County Fish and Game Commissioners. John Hyberger was elected the Secretary and Brad Nuremberg was elected Treasurer.

The Commission received a letter from the National Wild Turkey Federation stating that the search to determine if the turkey is actually an indigenous species to California in progress and they plan to have it completed in June.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME'S UPDATE REGARDING THE FISHING IN THE CITY AND URBAN LAKE STOCKING PROGRAM

Louise Fiorillo, Department Fish and Game updated the Commission on the Fishing in the City and Urban Lake Stocking Program. She noted that there are some budgeting concerns for the program for next year. On motion of Brad Nuremberg, seconded by Richard Alexander, the Commission unanimously approved sending a letter of support to the State for the Fishing in the City and Urban Lakes Stocking Program and recommended that the Board of Supervisors also consider sending a letter of support for this program.

REQUEST FROM SUPERVISOR BURKE'S OFFICE FOR A \$2,500 GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF CATFISH TO STOCK THE LAKE AT KENNETH HAHN STATE REGIONAL RECREATIONAL AREA FOR THE 2002 FISHING DERBY

On motion of Richard Alexander, seconded by Brad Nuremberg, the Commission unanimously approved recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve the \$2,500 grant to fund the purchase of catfish to stock the Lake at Kenneth Hahn State Regional Recreation Area for the 2002 "Fishing in the City" event.

REQUEST FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE'S OFFICE FOR A \$2,500 GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF CATFISH TO STOCK THE LAKE AT CERRITOS REGIONAL COUNTY PARK FOR THE 2002 "KNABE KATCH" FISHING DERBY

Gail Tierney, Senior Deputy, Fourth Supervisorial District presented the request for the grant. On motion of Brad Nuremberg, seconded by Richard Alexander, the Commission unanimously approved recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve a \$2,500 grant to purchase fish to stock the Cerritos Regional County Park Lake for the 2002 "Knabe Katch Fishing Derby".

REQUEST FROM LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB AND FOUNDATION FOR A \$2,500 GRANT FOR THE YEAR 2002 KIDS TRIP AND RELATED ACTIVITIES AND A FOLLOW-UP REGARDING

THE GRANT RECEIVED IN 2001

Norm Weinstock, Foundation Trustee for the organization provided an update on the 2001 activities and requested funding for the program for this year. On motion of Richard Alexander, seconded by Sandra Aronberg, with Chairperson Crow voting "Nay", the Commission duly approved recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve a \$2,500 grant for the Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club and Foundation's 2002 Kids Fishing Trip.

REQUEST FROM THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS FOR A \$24,725 GRANT FOR S.E.A. LABORATORY TO UPGRADE AND OPERATE THE HALIBUT HATCHERY PROGRAM

Giancarlo Cetrulo and Don Knapp of the Los Angeles Conservation Corps provide a presentation of the S.E.A. Laboratory and the hatchery. **On motion of Richard Alexander, seconded by Brad Crow, the Commission unanimously denied the request of \$24,725 grant to upgrade and operate the halibut hatchery.**

REQUEST FROM STEVE HOLL FOR A \$7,125 GRANT FOR THE EVALUATION OF THE STATUS OF AND MANAGEMENT OPTIONS FOR BIGHORN SHEEP IN THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS On motion of Brad Crow, seconded by Richard Alexander, the Commission unanimously approved recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve funds in the amount of \$7,125 for Steve Holl to conduct a study of Bighorn Sheep in the San Gabriel Mountains.

REQUEST FROM COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR A \$5,000 GRANT TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF FISH FOR THE JULY 12, 2002 "WHITTIER NARROWS REGIONAL PARK ALL NIGHT FAMILY FISHING DERBY"

Martha Moreno presented the request and provided specific breakdown of the stocking of the three lakes located at Whittier Narrows for the Derby. On motion of Brad Nuremberg, seconded by Richard Alexander, with John Hybarger abstaining, the Commission duly approved recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve a \$5,000 grant to fund the purchase of fish for the July 12, 2002 Whittier Narrows Regional Park "All Night Family Fishing Derby".

MATTERS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.